

CV Vision Im Tal der Stutzer June 9th 2023 CD / LP / digital

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Taking inspiration from deep in the mediaeval mists of times long past, **CV Vision** comes riding over the hills like a knight to the rescue, and his new album *Im Tal Der Stutzer* is packed full of galloping drums, feudal prog riffs and poetic lyrics harking back to a golden age.

You might've caught CV Vision in Berlin, either on stage or behind the mixer at some of his favourite clubs like Arkaoda, Heiners or O Tannenbaum. He could be accompanied by synths, or drum kit, or even full band – channelling his love of Bo Hansson and Claude Larson, or Soft Machine and Picchio dal Pozzo. Always heavy on the backbeat, the songs awash with heady synths and expansive psych inversions.

For this record, CV Vision recruited two wayfaring collaborators in the form of songwriter and musician **Martha Rose**, and drummer **Uno Bruniusson**. They started the project at the dawn of the Covid outbreak, and it quickly became a coping mechanism against the lockdown. During those months of uncertainty, the collaboration blossomed into a sanctuary of psychedelic prog, acid folk and warped feudal weirdness, a refuge built on layered synth lines and reel-to-reel delays.

Im Tal Der Stutzer invites you into its kaleidoscopic reality from the get-go – from the pulsating swing of *Die Frommen Wanderer* and frenetic synth arpeggios of *Die Nachricht Schneller als der Wind*, to the misty-eyed folk of *Lichtermond*. The whole record is punctuated with field recordings of ironmongers and cowherds and campfires, adding to the theatre.

It's a testament to the wide-ranging world that CV Vision has created, that he can at once invoke the *Hildebrandslied* while sounding like a library record that DJ Shadow might've sampled. In CV Visionverse, it all makes perfect sense.

- Max Cole

Tracklist

- 01. Willkommen im Tal der Stutzer
- 02. Die frommen Wanderer
- 03. Die Nachricht schneller als der Wind
- 04. Die Königin weint
- 05. König Friedrich II.
- 06. Im Hühnerstall
- 07. Zauberer und die Hex
- 08. Bevor und nach dem Sturm
- 09. Die Reise ins Innere
- 10. Wald Melodei
- 11. Lichtermond
- 12. In der Schmiede
- 13. Der fröhliche Gaukler
- 14. Kinder des Müllers der am Waldrand wohnt
- 15. Über Liebschaften

